PUBLICATIONS.

Not Many Men in the Audience, Which Learned That Balzae is "a Rank Tropical Forest of Detail"-Swat for the Speaker's Fellow Novelists.

Of course it was worth \$2, but the announcement had not stated the price, and consequently many of the ladies who went to the Berkeley Lyceum, 23 West Fortyfourth street, yesterday morning to hear Henry James lecture on "The Lessons of Eslzac," were obliged to draw on the subtreasury when they learned the tariff.

It was a comfort, however, to hear the young man who delicately sold the tickets when patrons repeated "Two dollars" with a rising inflection: "I would give \$10 any time to hear Mr. James." It was patent that he was there with the intellect. Mr. James's lecture was given under the auspices of the League for Political Education and was the last, the cap sheaf, of its season. The league had a lovely little theater, which has a gallery and red lights at the exits. Its construction seems to conform to the fire laws, but its seats do not conform to the thighbones of such gross men as have allowed themselves to run more to legs than to minute study of the microscopic details of human thought.

Few there were of such, and the keen Mr. James perceived it, for he half retracted his salutation, "ladies and gentlemen," after he had been introduced by a league officer who pronounced it "Bollzac." Mr. James makes the first "a" short and snappy, if you care to know it. When he rose to speak there was an end to the fluttering. All the admirers had told one another how they had followed Mr. James from "Daisy Miller" onward and could understand every line of everything.

Mr. James wore a black frock coat, a white waistcoat, a wing collar, a white string tie, and, of course, other garments. He looks now like a bank president rather than a novelist. He is an excellent speaker. Every word is clear, and every clause. If you cannot comprehend every sentence-

and there are many clauses in each—you are not of the elect. You have the low, receding forehead and should be swinging from branch to branch.

Mr. James talked of Jane Austen at first. To him she is the "brown thrush who tells his story from the garden bough." She is "in the same lucky box with the Brontës" and "her key to fortune is the grace of her facility."

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"Literature is an objective and projected result. Life is a floundering cause.

"When the consecration really takes place we have been excluded from the fun."

Those are only clauses. To print the whole absorbing sentences of which they are parts would be to cause you to let your coffee cool. Now for Balzac:

"For many years the public has taken his greatness for granted. We are so ready to beg off from knowing anything about him. 'He is great, so let's not talk about him.' The man who is really the father of us all is not mentioned any more than if he was not a member of the family. The family is only likely to recover by shutting itself up for half an hour with its founder. It was not given to him to flower in a single supreme felicity. He stands almost alone in achieving closeness and weight. I speak as a fellow craftsman who has learned from him more of the engaging lessons of fiction than from anyone else."

Mr. James defined the novel as "the

Mr. James defined the novel as "the Mr. James defined the novel as "the wanton, superfluous, gratuitous fable." The lyric element, he said, is not present in Balzac any more than in Scott, Dumas, Thackeray, Dickens or "that bright particular genius of our own day, George Meredith." There was a nice round of applause for Mr. Meredith. Almost every one in the crowded little theater seemed to love him. All the authors Mr. James named were, he said, lovers of the image of life.

"Balzac died at 50, worn out by work and passion—passion, I mean for his mighty plan. Some have found fault with his detail. His is a rank, tropical forest of detail and specification, but with the strong breath of genius blowing through it.

"He reproduced the real on the scale of Mr. Meredith. Said in a moment there was a click as the bolt of the letter box lock shot back.

"Expect to find some one has "mailed them to you?" was the inquiry.

"Mailed 'em myself. I ran out of cigars and did not want to climb three flights of stairs when I was coming out, so I bought a dozen around the corner and locked them in here where I would know they were safe. I often do it when I know that I am coming home after the places close."

Most New Yorkers have learned through

He reproduced the real on the scale of the real. He may at times have been obscure by striking too many matches. He has faults, but they are the faults of execution. He is always saturated with his idea. He clearly held the pretended portrayal as less than nothing. To his characters he gave fair value, unlike Thackeray, who wanted to desecrate poor Becky Sharp, to follow her up and catch her in her shame."

Mr. James swatted novelists who "state" Mr. James swatted novelists who "sus-pend the action in the void, there decorating with tinkling bells of dialogue.

Tapestry, Mr. James said, is the last word for the image of the perfect novel where closeness of weaving counts. "Balzac is too great to be moved. remains fixed by virtue of his weight. er as we move we move around him. wery road comes back to him. He sits e massively in orientation."
ten the ladies went away. The younger of them were sighing over one sentence that fell from Mr. James's lips:
"There is no such thing in the world as En adventure pure and simple."

They could not admit that they did not understand it; they must prefer to believe

THE WICKED FLEA.

that it wasn't so.

His Activity Responsible for Smallpox Scare on Ship Arriving at Frisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 31. - The flea is a small animal, but like the Japanese his shility to make trouble for hig ships seems unlimited. The fleas which dwell on the Facific Mail liner City of Peru, arriving this morning from Panama, were particularly busy. As a result of their operations, three of the passengers, Mrs. Emma Schnedersay and the two daughters of Louis Hirsch of Castle Bros. sought the ship's surgeon's

advice.

The doctor examined small red spots with which their bodies were covered and declared that they had smallpox. The boarding surgeon shared the alarm of the ship's doctor and a tug was sent for Chief Surgeon Cummings at Angel Island. The three medical men held a consultation and to Dr. Cummings belongs the honor of finding out the secret of the fiea.

He saved the guarantine records from

He saved the quarantine records from ridicule by declaring the passengers were afflicted with a "parasitic disease." The leas delayed the vessel in docking the entire

JAR FOR COURT CLERKS.

Court Decision May Cost Twenty-five or Thirty of Them Their Places.

Supreme Court Justice Marean in Brookyn, yesterday granted a peremptory writ directing Magistrate Higginbotham to appoint a chief clerk, two assistant clerks and a stenographer for the Lee avenue court, in accordance with the provisions of the

in accordance with the provisions of the statute on the subject. Hitherto in the courts of the Second Division such appointments had been made by a majority vote of the Board of Magistrates. Magistrate Higginbotham did not oppose the granting of the writ, being anxious that the question involved be judicially tested.

If the writ stands it will affect the positions of twenty-five or thirty clerks in the Second Magisterial division, and also the legality of the payment of the salaries for the last two years. It will also give to the Magistrates individually the right of asserting clerks and stenographers for a cting clerks and stenographers for a

Gen. Roe Entertains Army Officers WEST POINT, May 31 .- Major-Gen. and Mrs. Charles F. Roe entertained at dinner to-night Major-Gen. Adna R. Chaffee, Brig-Gen. Mills and staff, the Academy board of visitors and many officers and their ladies of West Point at their country house, Pine Terrace, in Highland Falls. "A Square Deal!"

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LIVE TOPICS ABOUT TOWN.

A new automobile horn has made its appearance in the garages in West Thirtyeighth street, and persons who hear it for the first time momentarily regard sudden the first time momentarily regard sudden death under the machine as no terrible alternative. It has exactly the tone of a human voice with the terrifying expression that might be the cry of a lost soul. One blast suddenly brings every pedestrian to a stop. Drivers draw up to see what tragedy could have happened and timid women shriek. This horn should be a very effective warning, for persons who have heard it would run miles rather than risk such an experience a second time. risk such an experience a second time.

"Talking of some long speeches at public dinners," said a Tammany sachem, "reminds me of Richard Croker. Ex-Tax Commissioner Shea was complaining at the Democratic Club one night that William Sulzer had wrecked the program of one of his meetings by talking for an hour when he had asked for only five minutes.

Croker asked Shea: "Why did you let him?"

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To Shea's reply that nobody could stop Sulzer, Croker said:

"We had an effective method in the old days. The front row of seats was occupied by men who were armed with sponges. Within reach of them was a pail filled with water. When they thought the speaker had said enough or hadn't made good, in their opinion, they dipped the sponges in the pail and at the word fired them at the speaker like so many shells. I never knew it to fail in bringing a speaker to a full stop. The knowledge that the sponges were there and the sight of the pail of water was usually enough to keep the speakers within bounds. It was a good plan."

In a Broadway restaurant which sells an immense quantity of beer the chief tapster was asked one cold day if he drew

"More than in summer," he said. "Weather is of no consequence to a beer drinker, except that the colder it is the more beer he wants. I draw more heavy beer in winter than in summer, and about as much light beer in one season as the other."

Those who are not "natural beer drinkers," he explained, drink more spirits in winter than in summer.

Father owns a 40 horse-power motor, but little Willie had only seen it whiz away with his family in a cloud of dust or snort in front of the house. He had never been in front of the house. He had never been allowed on board and looked with increased envy at the departure of the family. After a while the desire to ride got too strong.

"Papa," he said one day, "I wish you'd get a little brother or sister for me."

Papa wanted to know why.

"Because then I wont be the only precious one," he said, "and I can go out in the motor car sometimes with you and mother.",

"Hold on a moment," said the bachelor. who was taking a friend home to spend the

sad experience to recognize and discard the circulars with which their letter boxes are stuffed and, whether they come by mail or are slipped into the box carefully addressed to the right name, a large percentage find their way into the waste basket

Recognizing this fact, an insurance company has hit upon a new idea. Instead of sending out a man to copy off the ad-dresses on the letter boxes in the apartment houses, they send out a distributor pro-vided with a package of circulars and a lead pencil. He goes from house to house addressing an envelope to each box, and the envelope has the appearance of a note hurriedly scribbled by some friend and dropped into the slot. In nine cases out of ten the enclosure is looked at through pure curiosity.

SMITH GIRLS MUST BE COUNTED Five Men to Tackle Job of Taking the College Census.

NORTHAMPTON Mass., May 31.-The refusal of Smith College girls to answer the questions of the State census enumerators resulted to-day in the adoption by the State Department of heroic measures. There are 1,065 young women students in the college and their enumeration was supposed to begin May 1.

The regular enumerator, a male, appointed for Ward Two, in which the college is located, worked a week and reported practically no progress. The department then appointed five special enumerators from a progress of the special enumerators and the special enumerators. from among the young women students in the belief that they would be able to secure

the belief that they would be able to secure the necessary data.

They have failed and this afternoon Chief Pidgin ordered the department's Chief Inspector Eugene V. Towe: of Boston here, accompanied by C. Garfield MacLeod, one of the Boston assistants. To-night they called in David E. Hoxie, inspector of Department K, and two regular male enumerators, and the five will start out at 2 o'clock Thursday morning either to take enumerators, and the five will start out at 7 o'clock Thursday morning either to take the college census or enforce the law. The hour is early for most of the college girls, but Chief Inspector Tower says they will be requested to get up and toe the mark. He added that the census of the college would be completed by Saturday night.

POPE'S BLESSING TO CHILDREN. Letter to Be Read To-day-Prayers for Eucharistic Congress Asked.

Through the Fathers of the Blessed Sacrament, in West Seventy-sixth street, Pope Pius X. has sent a special blessing to all the "little children" in America. To-day, Ascension Thursday, this letter, addressed to Father Durand, will be read:

"To our dear son. Henry Durand, priest, and to all the little children who during the days of the Eucharistic congress at Rome,

and to all the fittle children who during the days of the Eucharistic congress at Rome, shall pray at least five minutes before the Blessed Sacrament we grant with the Apostolic benediction one hundred days indulgence.

"THE VATICAN, May 8, 1905."

The International Eucharistic Congress opens to-day in Rome. America is represented at the congress by the Archbishop of Philadelphia, Bishop Garvey of Altoona, Mgr. Kennedy and a score or more of Western priests who went on pilgrimage some iests who went on pilgrimage some

weeks ago. Loving Cup to Frederick P. Oleott. Frederick P. Olcott retired yesterday as president of the Central Trust Company, and the officers and clerks of the company presented to him a silver loving cup and a set of engrossed resolutions. The presentation was made by Vice-President George Sherman, who told the retiring president how much he would be missed.

Mr. Olcott returned thanks, HOLDS 24 THEATER MANAGERS

THEY CONSPIRED AGAINST MET-CALFE, MAGISTRATE SAYS.

Conried, Klaw, Erlanger, Hammerstein, Dan Frehman and the Rest to Take the Case Before the Supreme Court for Review-Crime Charged Is Misdemeanor.

Magistrate Pool decided yesterday to hold twenty-four members of the Theatrical Managers' Association for trial for criminal conspiracy, committed when the organization passed a resolution barring James S. Metcalfe, critic for Life, from the forty-seven theaters controlled by members of the organization.

Magistrate Pool handed down his decision in the West Fifty-fourth street court yesterday. Mr. Metcalfe and Assistant District Attorney Krotel were in court. Counsel for the defendants were notified to produce their clients in court as soon as possible. In the complaint made by Mr. Metcalfe, who was kept out of a number of theaters after the resolution was passed, twentysix theatrical men were named as defendants, but the names of two were stricken out by Magistrate Pool. One was Samuel S. Shubert, who was killed recently in a railroad wreck, and the other is Edward G. Gilmore, who, Magistrate Pool decides, did not vote for the resolution or confirm the action of his associates, but disavowed it. The twenty-four held are: JOSEPH L. SPRINGER,

MARC KLAW, ARRAHAM L. ERLANGER, OSCAR HAMMERSTEIN, DANIEL FROHMAN. OSEPH K. BROOKS. HEINRICH CONRIED. FRANK MCKER. J. W. ROSENQUEST A. L. BRADEN,

AL L. LICHTHNSTEIN, ANTONIO PASTOR, HENRY B. HARRIS. W. M. K. Olcott, who is counsel for some of the theatrical men, said last night that at a meeting of the lawyers to-day it would undoubtedly be agreed to sue out writs of

W. C. WATSON.

ALF HAYMAN. GEORGE KRAUB, E. S. STAIR, W. F. KROGH,

PERCY WILLIAMS, W. C. JORDAN,

undoubtedly be agreed to sue out writs of habeas corpus and certiorari and have the case reviewed in the Supreme Court.

To get a writ it will be necessary for one of the defendants to be committed. The crime charged is a misdemeanor, triable in the Special Sessions court, unless the defendants have the cases transferred to General Sessions for a jury trial. In his decision Magistrate Pool says:

"I hold that any member of the association, whether present or not at the meet-

"I hold that any member of the association, whether present or not at the meeting, who, either directly or indirectly, carried out the resolve of the meeting, or threatened to do so, or who prevented the complainant from entering their respective theaters on his presenting himself for admission with good and proper tickets of admission, is liable to the same charge as if present at the meeting and voting.

"It is claimed that the theaters of the defendants are private property and not

"It is claimed that the theaters of the defendants are private property and not public places, and, therefore, they had a legal right to exclude the complainant from these places. I am of the opinion that the theater is a quasi-public place, and in that respect differs from an individual's castle or his private place. It is and has been my uniform rule to so treat and consider theaters as such, by pinishing persons who commit disorderly conduct in such places, and I think that has been the rule of my brother Magistrates in cases where the offense charged was committed in a theater. The theaters owned by the defendants or managed by them, are devoted to the use of the public and rightfully are at least quasi-public places.

places.

"Section 383 of the Penal Code states

"Section 383 of the Penal Code states theaters, or other public places' under the head of 'public places.'"

It was contended by the theatrical men that a theater ticket was a personal license revocable at any time, and they cited an opinion of the Appellate Division in the case of a ticket speculator against the Knickerbooker Theater. Magistrate Pool says that in that particular case notices had been conspicuously displayed saying that tickets purchased or sold by speculators would be refused at the box office, and adds that whether or not a ticket is a license revocable at the pleasure of the vendor was not before the court in that case, so that its opinion was obiter and not binding on a lower court. He concludes: ing on a lower court. He concludes:
"I hold a person cannot be denied admission to a theater solely on the ground that he had written the criticisms reflecting

on one or more members of the Theater Managers' Association.

"From the testimony in this case and the law as we understand it. I conclude, and it appears to me by the depositions, statements and testimony in this case, that the crime complained of charged in the complaint has been committed and there is sufficient cause to believe the within samel defordants are suilty the work." named defendants are guilty thereof.

CLOTHING FOR ACTRESSES. New Charity Which the Actors' Church

Alliance Finds Helpful. At the sixth annual convention of the Actors' Church Alliance at the Savoy Theater yesterday Miss A. S. Prout, secretary of the Boston chapter, the first established outside of New York, gave a report of the

rear's work. She said: "Mary Shaw, who has about the most level head of any actress coming in contact with us, asked us. 'Well, what are you doing now?' We told her. She replied that while our work was ethical, in order to succeed we must have practical, tangible activity, and results. She said: 'One thing

activity, and results. She said: 'One thing you can do is furnish clothes to the actress.'

"We were surprised at this. One of our members tested the suggestion, and the actress approached was delighted at the idea of getting some dresses through us.

"We got the gowns from the society women and turned them over to actresses in need. We found it to be the crying need of young actresses starting out in the profession.

"Seven hundred letters was and the starting of the second in the second in the profession."

"Seven hundred letters were sent out and \$3,000 worth of discarded gowns were given us since last November, which we turned over to actresses. "One actress kept her engagement, an-

"One actress kept her engagement, another got an engagement in a San Francisco stock company, and a third, in Providence, supporting her little sister and mother, was able to maintain her standing by means of the gowns acquired through charity

At the public meeting in the evening Rabbi Silverman and the Rev. William M. Brundage spoke.

ALARM DIDN'T SCARE SCHOOL. 1,200 Children Marched Coolly Out of No. 160-Bad Boy's Prank.

Some mischievious boy pulled the fire alarm box in Public School 169, at Audubon avenue and 168th street, yesterday afternoon, just as the 1,200 children in the building were about to be dismissed. The principal, Miss Mary Shires, and her teachers acted promptly and prevented a panic. The children got out of the building in three minutes without mishap.

The fire alarm is located on the first landing of the main hall. The principal is not sure whether it was set off by a boy in the school or some urchin who ran in from the street. The gong for dismissal had been rung, and as Miss Shires was comhad been rung, and as mass somes was coming down the front stairs she heard the alarm, and within a few minutes Engine alarm, and within a few minutes Engine alarm, and within a few minutes Engine Company 38 came tearing up to the building. She and her assistant, Miss Fannie du Moulin, took their places, and the fire signal was given. The children came out of their rooms promptly, and although the firemen ran up through the building the little ones did not lose their heads.

Somebody told the firemen that the fire was on the top floor. They looked everywhere, but could not find any blaze. One little boy in the sixth grade in the grammar class stood at the entrance of the building after the children were all out, with his teacher's hat and coat. He said he did not want to have her lose them.

midair resort, is being redecorated, and while the new tile floor is being laid a temporary box office will be placed in front of the theater.

The Aerial's box capacity has been increased and the balcony seats relied. The color scheme this season will be pink; silver and gold.

IOLE

Mr. Robert W. Chambers has just written this light

comedy, brimful of happy situations, in which eight

beautiful girls play the leading roles. The novel is

full of love and laughter, and the girls are en-

trancing with grace and charm. The book is

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But Corporations Stipulate for Deductions of Various Kinds.

Comptroller Grout received yesterday rom the Consolidated and Electric Subway

OFFERS TO PAY FRANCHISE TAX.

Company an offer to pay the special franchise tax due to the city, which has been assessed at \$254,087, if the city will agree to a deduction of \$15,000 a year for the five years since the act was passed. The company wrote that under the fran-

chise giving it the right to use the electric wire conduits it was required to reserve space for the use of wires which might be owned by the city. It was contended that the city has never used this space, which could have been rented by the company for \$15,000 a year, and for that reason it was urged that the city should deduct the amount from the franchise tax. Comptroller Grout referred the claim, which he

troller Grout referred the claim, which he regarded as a somewhat remarkable one, to the Corporation Counsel.

The Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company also sent in a check for the franchise tax, but the Comptroller found that the company had deducted from the assessment the payments the company had made to the city for car license fees and percentages of receipts. Mr. Grout refused to accept the payment pending settlement of the question whether such deductions are justifiable.

flable.
Yesterday was the last day for the payment of taxes for 1904. All assessments for that year which were not paid yesterday will now be turned over to the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears. The amount taken in during the day by Col. Austen, Receiver of Taxes, was about \$40,000, a smaller sum than has been received on corresponding days for several years past.

KLAW AND ERLANGER'S PLANS. To Make More Productions Next Year Than in Any Previous Season.

Klaw & Erlanger announced yesterday their plans for 1905-06, which will make next season the busiest this firm of managers ever had. They plan many new himself and Charles Darwin of the theory productions and will again manage the American tour of Forbes Robertson and his company. The original "Duchess of Dantzic" company will come here again, and in addition George Edwardes will send over his London company in his musical play "Veronique" in November. His production of "The Orchid," which has been playing at the Gaiety in London for two years, will be presented here with an Ameri-

can company late in the fall. After the Aerial Gardens open next Monlay night rehearsals begin of several of the Klaw & Erlanger productions. Both the Ben Hur" and "Humpty Dumpty" companies have been ordered to begin work earlier than usual this coming season. The new musical extravaganza "The Pearl and the Pumpkin" will start rehearsals

and the Pumpkin" will start rehearsals within the week, and this show will open the Broadway Theater on Aug. 28.

"The Ham Tree," in which McIntyre and Heath are to star, will be next put under way, and then the "Rogers Brothers in Ireland" will follow. Joseph Cawthorne, in a musical comedy called "In Tammany Hall," will have a chance to see what he can do as a star. Fay Templeton, another Kliw & Erlanger star, will be seen in a new musical piece by George Cohan.

C. M. S. McLellan and Gustave Kerker, who wrote many of the successes at the Casino, have written a new musical comedy named "The Butterfly of Fashion." It will be produced in London. The dramatization of Gen. Wallace's novel "A Prince of India" has been made by J. I. C. Clarke, and it will be produced at the New Amsterdam.

Another play is by Marion Crawford, founded on his novel "Zoroaster." Mr. Crawford is now putting the finishing touches to the play and Marc Klaw is abroad consulting with him. Herbert Gresham and Ned Wayburn will stage the Klaw & Erlanger productions.

productions. News of Plays and Players.

Robert Edeson, who closed his season in "Strongheart" in Boston on Saturday night, was operated upon yesterday for an affection of the nose and throat. The operation was successful and Mr. Edeson will sail on the St. Paul on June 3 visiting Paris, Carlston of t tion of the nose and throat. The operation bad, Berlin and Vienna, sailing from Ham-

burg Aug. 10.

"The Girl in the Red Domino," the mysterious dancer who is to head the opening bill at the Wistaria Grove on top of the New bill at the Wistaria Grove on top of the New York Theater on June 12, Asiled vesterday from Liverpool on the White Star liner Majestic. "La Rouge Domino," as she calls herself, attracts attention not only through her vaudeville act, but by reason of her apparel. She is always dressed in deep black, and wears constantly a fiaming red mask on which is embroidered in gold a royal coronet.

"Fantana" will be played to-night at the Lyrio Theater with an entirely new scenic and costume production. The settings and gowns had begun to look a little shabby after the long run of the piece in Chicago and New York.

Chauncey Olcott will appear next season in a new play by Theodore Burt Sayre entitled "Edmund Burke."

Alterations at the Aerial Gardens. Workmen are busy day and night remodeling the Aerial Theater and Gardens for the opening next Monday night. The lobby, which answers as an approach, both to the New Amsterdam Theater and its

BOOKS AND AUTHORS.

Mr. James Huneker is working on his new book which will be called "Franz Liszt His Art and His Time." He began the book in 1902 and one more journey which he will make this summer will complete his study for it. Starting at Weimar and following Liszt's travels down to the Villa D'Este, near Rome will give him the material he requires-material which has not yet been thoroughly investigated.

Mr. Walter Besant had a fixed belief that a manuscript which no publisher could be found to produce at his own risk should not be issued by the author. Of course everybody knows how to answer that argument with the old story of Thackeray's publishing "Vanity Fair" himself after it had been refused by the magazines for which it was written as well as every publisher to whom it was submitted, as lacking in interest. Mr. Maartens was obliged to print his first book himself, and quite recently J. J. Bell made some £4,000 sterling out of "Wee Macgreegor," for which no publisher would make an offer, though the author would have sold the entire copyright for £10.

Dr. Alfred Russel Wallace at the age of 82 is writing his autobiography, which, judging from the charm and simplicity of the man, his optimistic and serene philosophy, will afford delightful reading. Speaking recently of his life he said: "I think the most fortunate thing that happened to me was the loss, by the burning of the ship that carried them of many of my specimens as they were coming home from the Amazon. Otherwise, I should have gone back there where Bates had been working for years instead of to the Malay Archipelago, a perfeetly virgin country." In the same cheerful vein with which he recounts the loss of much valuable work Dr. Russel Wallace speaks of that "extraordinary drama of science,"-the simultaneous discovery by of natural selection, and says it was all for the best that Darwin anticipated him in launching the discovery, for while Dr. Wailace could have written only a slight volume concerning it Darwin had a vast fund of material to draw from and a mass of carefully compiled evidence to support

The historic bells of Chertsey parish church which 'inspired Rosa Thorpe's famous verses, "Curfew Must Not Ring Tonight," have lately stopped ringing because the frame of the church belfry has been pronounced unsafe and must be rebuilt. There are eight of these bells, of which two are 600 years old, and one, called the Abbey bell, sounded the curfew in the old days.

Arrivals by the White Star liner Oceanic, rom Liverpool and Queenstown: J. J. Van Alen, the Hon. John C. Spooner and Mrs. Spooner, Mr. and Mrs. William Frederick Stafford, W. M. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Ogden, Mr. and Mrs. H. Archibald Pell, Lee Shubert. Sailing to-day by the Hamburg-American liner Hamburg, for Cherbourg, Plymouth

mer hamourg; for Cherbourg, Plymouth and Hamburg:

Mr. and Mrs. William L. Elliot, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Ormsby, W. P. Wakefield, Mr. and Mrs. John J. Remey, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Clemence, Miss Margaret Crowninshield, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Percival Smith and Mrs. W. L. Duryea, Jr.

Voyagers by the White Star lines Tou. Voyagers by the White Star liner Teu-tonic, off yesterday for Queenstown and Liverpool:

Spencer Churchill, F. D. Huntington, J. E. Hargreaves, Capt. Thomas H. R. McIntyre, E. G. H. Schenck, W. H. Musgrove, Viscount St. Cyres and J. W. W. Struthers.

Aboard the Holland-American steamship Noordam, which sailed yesterday for Boulogne and Rotterdam:

Mr. and Mrs. F. Berkeley Smith, Harrison R. Steed, Mr. and Mrs. Dellaplaine Brown.

Dinner and Gift for Capt. Miller. Capt. Jacob W. Miller, commanding the Naval Brigade of the State of New York, recently returned from five months ab sence abroad, and the officers who had served under his command gave him a served under his command gave him a dinner last evening at the University Club. A dress sword and belt were presented to Capt. Miller. Among the officers present were Commanders John G. Agsr, W. B. Duncan, Jr., Robert P. Forshew, William B. Franklin, Alfred Brooks Fry, William H. Stayton, Capt. Herbert L. Satterlee, Lieut. Gerard B. Townsend and Surgeon John Van der Poel.

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